Memories of the Old Kitchen. BY MRS. S. P. SNOW.

Far back, in my musings, my thoughts have been guet. To the cot, where the hours of my childhood were passed; I loved all the rooms, to the pantry and For all its surroundings were sacred to

And I loved every crack of that old kitch-

I remember the fireplace with mouth high Out of which, each thanksgiving, came still, Came down every Christmas, our stock-

Day in and day out, from morning till Her footsteps were busy, her heart always The smile was so gentle her face used to

so prize; They were new every night, though we'd

heard them before,

I'd run, As soon as the daybreak to watch for the reached to the sill.
That it slept through the night in the And the small tract of ground, that my eves there could view, Was all of the world that my infancy Indeed I cared not to know of it more. For a world in itself was that old kitchen

To-night those old visions come back at The band is moth-eaten, the wheel laid And the voices of children ring out there

That when the lips speaking are closed in And tell of the mother that long ago died; Twould be more enduring, far dearer to

## AGRICULTURAL.

CHARLES W. DICKERMAN, in his new ed by an effort of nature with direct referwork "How to make the Farm pay," ence to the production of a thoroughbred

the past twenty years. Underdraining, seed that is relied upon for the crops of improved machinery, the better under- our country. American farmers lack faith Only a small portion of the great body of farmers have adopted the advanced position in modern Agriculture. The great mass of farmers are still laboring It is the duty of those who do know, to bring their knowledge to the use of these talent of the country is devoted to this object. Agricultural Colleges are springing up on every hand. Men of genius, of vated. What has always been claimed by youd the borders of the Old Dominion. a few, will soon be acknowledged by all, that the prosperity of a country depends

wake up to the necessity of improving their lands, and adopting an entirely different lands are also at the entirely different lands and adopting an entirely different lands. system of cultivation, or soon poverty and by means of boats or through sewers. bankruptcy will stare them in the face. It Of the bran or shorts of wheat, and the shall be our duty through these columns, entire portions of other grains to the stock on the farm, some, of course, to lay before them such information as the is returned to the land and shows its good present advanced state of the science of effects in the crops that are produced from Agriculture affords, and we hope to have it. But the animals that are raised from the assistance of all well informed men who are interested in this subject. In order to make the matter recorded in this animals that die from disease or accident, department of the paper wholly reliable, or are slaughtered for beef, are now eagerwe shall study to avoid all superfluities, ly collected and find their way, for the making disastrous mistakes. The results sissippi, of practice in different sections, and on Every year thousands of acres of land different soils, will be carefully compared are put in flax, a crop that diminishes the different soils, will be carefully compared with the recorded opinions of the oldest with the recorded opinions of the oldest and best of our writers, and it is hoped the seed, to be used in painting houses, be gained.

different sections of the country to send us recently that never over two per cent, us the result of any experiments they may of their oil cake found a market in this have conducted in the way of fertilizing, country. The remainder goes to England. wheat culture, grasses, sheep raising, milch | The English farmer buys his product of cows, and diary farming, fruit culture, &c. the flax mill, not altogether or principal-These articles we shall publish as they ly because it is the cheapest food for daiare written or carefully glean the essential | ry and beef stock, but because of the ex-

Saving the Best Seed. Mr. E. S. Todd read a paper upon this subject, says the New York Sun, which

contained some valuable hints to farmers, e said:

"On many of the best wheat producing of rock it would perish; if over the rock of rock it would perish farms of our country the soil yields only a there was a layer of soil two or three to the recent report by Prof. Vocicker, in light crop of grain where the product inches in depth the seed might reproduce the Journal of the Royal Agricultural So night be fifty bushels of fine wheat per itself; add as much more soil and an or-But that blessed old kitchen was dearer acre, with the same expense of cultivation dinary yield might result; and again, if manufactured and sold to farmers. Of the dent at Columbia Hall, the principal homen than all;

than all;

than all is chairs and its table, none brighter could be could ance with the laws of the vegetable king- proportionately large profits would be de- the money for which they were offered dom. Let us dwell on a single thought rived? Suppose this layer of soil con-To the nail in the ceiling, the latch on the touching the seed. It is utterly impossitioned plant food plentifully, but was of a ly grossly adulterated. ble to reap a bountiful crop—even when the soil is all right—if the seed is not per-tender roots could not penetrate it and feet or thoroughbred. It is quite as prop- make use of its fertility, it would then er to speak of thorough-bred seed of any require loosening, pulverizing, arating, remembers any season when he had to ex-The old fashioned oven that stood by its kind as to allude to thorough-bred animals and in short, thorough cultivation, and acas the highest degree of perfectibility is cording to the depth and thoroughness of subject deserves the serious consideration attained, in either case, by conducting the that cultivation would be the amount of of the agriculturist, for the buyer of adul-That fairly be wildered and dazzled our operations incident to propagation in strict plant food made available, and consequentuformity to established laws. We have ly the yield of the crop. And then, too, Saint Nicholas, slyly and what are termed thorough-bred horses, This is practically the condition of most neat cattle, sheep and swine, whose an- of our land; it contains plant food enough Came down every Christmas, our stockings to fill;
But the dearest memories I'd laid up in leading possible to them, but the

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case as castorof the people of whom Jesus said, "They oil beaus and the still more possible to double the average yield of crops if it oil beaus and the still more possible to them, but the
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pegs around the walls of the hall; and I and every individual in the long lineage unworked subsoil is like rock, confining has found in several samples of the lineage Are of the mother that trod that old will be characterized for the peculiar the roots of plants to the comparatively cake. quality of transmitting to his offspring, thin arable surface soil. Instead of covet- ion," Appleton's Journal, tells us that demn marriage as an institution of the themselves of their coats, and sometimes with satisfactory certainty, those points of ing your neighbor's lands, and putting the best way to prevent the sophistication excellence which represent that peculiar forth great efforts to secure more surface, of articles of domestic use is fo teach our boys and girls to use the microscope and light,

For it seemed to me then that she knew breed. So, for example, when a farmer list it not more profitable to cultivate deepthe test tube. This is nonsense, however.

The ability to detect with certainty the duces, from year to year, and ears ker-double its productiveness? With most of adulterations commonly practiced is the our farm crops the amount of roots deterwear;
I remember with pleasure what joy filled which not a single red ear, blue ear, or an mines the quantity of products, and roots farmer can hope to acquire in a few weeks or months the power of analyzing soils,

ear, bearing mixed grain can be found for | will develop abundantly wherever there is | manures, and artificial food. It seems to When she told us the stories that children many successive seasons he has a variety of so prize; many successive seasons he has a variety of thorough-bred corn, the seed of which will push their way into stony lumps, nor live thing a stop to such nefarious practices is the push their way into stony lumps, nor live thorough the stories that the most efficient method of putting a stop to such nefarious practices is the push their way into stony lumps, nor live thorough the stories that children many successive seasons he has a variety of putting a stop to such nefarious practices is vield a crop in abundance, just in propor- in hardpan layers where there is no air. From her lips, at the wheel, on the old tion to the condition of the soil, making kitchen floor, due allowance for a yield within the preserbed laws of limitation. And the same stagnant water must pass off or air will cive satisfication, let the sample be ana-I remember the window, where mornings | scribed laws of limitation. And the same is true of wheat, oats, rye, and barly. If not enter the soil, nor the latter remain give satisfaction, let the sample be anaa farmer would raise forty or fifty bushels And I thought when my head scarcely of fine wheat per acre, one hundred of oats. Then comes a fair depth of surface, plow- like to know why the vender cannot, like the important step will be to secure thorough-bred seed. But a supply of such fore sowing, cultivate deep across the fur- be.-Country Gentleman. seed cannot be obtained in a single season. rows with a long-toothed cultivator. A The labor and careful cultivation requisite

that will yield a bountiful crop of plump grain, all true to its kind, will be found nearly equal to the productions of a new But the wheel and its music forever are and valuable breed of domestic animals, But improvement in seed grain of all And the fingers that turned it lie mould tance to every tiller of the soil. And and all was finely pulverized. Such a there will be no more favorable opportuniring in clay.

The hearthstone, so sacred, is just as 'twas'
ty to commence during all the year, in The sun through the window looks in as nearly ready for the harvesters, we can those in the far mountains, and the patient the smaller tract heavily manures, drains, But it sees stanger feet on the old kitchen ready commenced improvements in the competence.—Iowa Homestead.

seed for the future crop. There seems to tain plants to develop a more perfect varie-My children will gather theirs round at ty. Instead of deterioration, nature's efvelopment. There is an ear of wheat, for Than inscriptions on marble or granite of oats, each of which is earlier, larger, plumper and fairer than the ears all around To have them tell often, as I did of yore, it. If allowed to grow until the crop is Of the mother that trod the old kitchen fully ripe these seed heads will be dead ripe, and in some instances will have fallen to the ground. The largest and best

gathered with care, and the seed planted "No one at this day doubts the impor- in a genial soil, and all bastard heads be tance of Agricultural information, Knowl- culled out for a few seasons, and an effort edge in this department is not only power. be made to establish a variety of grain but it is wealth, individual and national. with unusually large heads and plump ker-That system of cultivation which produces two blades of grass or two kernels of tic of great prolificacy, the efforts of the grain where only one grew before; which tiller of the soil will be so consonant with produces two quarts of milk or two pounds the laws of the vegetable kingdom that he of meat in place of one must not only be will have the satisfaction of seeing not only a benefit to each individual producer, but two ears of fine grain appearing, when of immease advantage to the country and now only one is produced, but they will be much larger, heavier, and far better in Great improvements have been made in every respect than the miserably inferior

standing of the relation of crops, and the in the production of thoroughbred seed of application of manures, and the improve- any kind. Therefore, they continue to ments in the breeds of domestic animals, plow and sow, reap and mow in that same have all helped to raise Agrigulture, from old channel where their fathers trod, when, mere drudgery, to an important science, with a little care in raising better seed, And improvement must still continue, their crops of all kinds might be doubled, Why the Land is Running Out. With all the pride which Americans under the disadvantage of a false and feel in witnessing the improvements of this ruinous system of Agriculture, without country in most respects, it is a source of knowing just how to better their position. mortification that in almost every portion of our fair land the soil is growing every their brothren in toil. Much of the best year less productive. We are sending wheat to towns that were in our colonial days the granaries both of our own and of the best scholarship, of great scientific attainments are devoting their lives to the ferior to that in which his ancestor indulgwork of bringing forth the secrets of the ed, it is certain that he must receive his soil. The labor of the farmer is thus ele- supply of the cherished narcoticfrom be- or to nine inches, raking off the damp and

The cause of the diminution of the material wealth of the country, lies in the upon the intelligent cultivation of the soil." fact that we are annually sending away The above remarks are especially applifrom the land, with each successive harcable to this region. With a native soil pendent for its fertility. We all know equal in fertility, and exceeding in natur- that wheat is an exhaustive crop; that is al recuperative power any other section robs the soil of its rich phosphates and sevof the country; by a bad system of culti- eral other salts that are essential to the vation a large portion of our farming lands other, supplies the food for men. Let us have been reduced to such a low state of see what becomes of these essential elefertlity as to render the cultivation of the ments of wheat growth: They are very resemblance to the horses' natural footing, the probability of Congressional interfer- we could hardly suppress a smile. Rang- a pitcher of water, he thus accosted him: their neglect. usual crops a useless expense without re- largely found in the covering of the berry. the earth. muneration of any kind and as a conse- This, we all know, in the majority of cases, quence a great deal of what might be separated from the whiter portions of the flour at mills situated at a distance from good land, is thrown out and not cultiva- where the grain is produced. This bran ted at all, but is left to grow up in sedge or shorts are fed to cattle in large towns, than when on ordinary litter (simply begrass, briars and undergrowth of all kinds, and though some will find its way into vil-This is ruinous; and our farmers must lage gardens, by far the larger portion is buried in pits, used in the place of soil for by frequently rolling and lying down for

entire portions of other grains that are fed

much valuable information will thereby but nearly all the oil cake is sent across the sea. The proprietors of the largest We would also request farmers in the linseed oil works in the West informed rived from it .- Farmers Journal.

### Better Tillage.

Farmers in general expect a yield of

loose any length of time after being stirred. cal depth. This way of preparing stubble pretenses, provided it be shown that the ground for spring grain is excellent. Beseed bed of finely pulverized earth, ten or

inches, harrowing, rolling, then stirring kinds is a subject of transcendent impor- which four horses were attached abreast,

this latitude, than the present harvest.

When we go into a field of golden grain, in the ground; there are richer mines than the present harvest.

Why? Because the owner or cultivator of ususually see that Dame Nature has alworker thereof wins health, peace and and thoroughly farms it. Scatter a thousandly commenced improvements in the competence of the compe

late, that is to be fed to horses, mules, or work oxen, or beef cattle, none of these | Our past history proves will apply to hay that is to be fed to milk | Every large place in the country is a cows, 'Hay seed, and matured, well ri- living evidence of the fallacy of such an kernals of those heads have been develop-

but great interest to farmers. He says that he had one acre of grass, red top, and product from this hay, fed to ten cows, and then, in turn, like his predecessor. dew and rain, it will cure better in the do so and give action to their thoughts, mow than any where else, provided enough exposure to wind and sun is had to cause one-half the water circulating in the vessels of the plant to be evaporated. This harm, is one of the most annoying is accomplished in six or eight hours of fa- pests of all the insect tribe. A nuisance

### vorable weather. - Prairie Farmer. Sawdust for Bedding.

The London Field contains the following account of an experiment with this material: "Having used sawdust as bedforeign nations; and unless the aristocratic ding for horses for a length of time, receptable to some of your inquiring readers. I litter the horses on it to the depth of six a cool, porous stuffing, a substitute for the soil or earth we always find in the hoofs of horses at grass, and presents the nearest

We have never had a diseased foot since the introduction of sawdust in the stable. now some years since. Horses bedded on sawdust are also freer from dust and stains cause sawdust is a better absorbent, per-

Food for Chicks. by that disease since I used salt, and previously I did lose from gapes. Salt is death proved in practice, beyond a doubt; and thus endeavor to save the farmer from thus endeavor to save the farmer from of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of animals raised in the valley of the Missiand State of the valley of the valle both to swell and soften the screening-and wash out the dust and smut. Pour off the water and pour on again if necespicked up very quickly. Clam shells and bones broken fine I also feed. Shells and bones are easily broken on a stone with a hatchet. To save stooping and to keep above the fowls. I place the stone on a box, on which is also a piece of oak plank, to cut the scraps and break the bones. I have no trouble with soft shelled eggs or gapes, and since my hen house floor is of facts contained in them, and place them | cellent character of the manure that is de- as often as is necessary.—Country Gentle-

# Adulterations-Artificial Manure.

and our animals as well as the sophisticacrops more in proportion to the surface of tion of those substances usually employed land occupied than to the depths of the for manure, has recently attracted the atsoil whereon they grow. Yet it is obvious tention of the public. Various remedies Peruvian guano on the other hand scarce, bears a high price, and is general-

The demand for feeding material has largely increased, and the price and the extent of adulteration have mutually kept pace. Dr. Voeickes says that he hardly paying high prices for inferior feeding maof endangering the health of his stock by feeding poisonous material, such as easter

That organ of "advanced scientific opinsimply this; Let every farmer when he On many farms underdraining lies at lay away a fair sample of the lot enclosed lyzed; and if the article was represented as being jof a certain quality, we would

to the production of a variety of wheat twelve inches deep, can thus be obtained. from the Cambridge (Dorchester county) We have seen out-stubble prepared for Democrat and Herald, contains some goo wheat by plowing to the depth of twelve advice, which we commend to those interested in the subject of which it treats: Land owners "hereabouts," if they dethe soil nearly to the bottom of the fur- sire to become pecuniarily advanced in row by a long-toothed wheel cultivator, to this busy go-ahead world, must at once divide up their immense tracts of earth into pareels of fifty, sixty, and seventy you can get forty grains of wheat for one; but scatter the same amount over five hundred acres and you will be lucky in-Whatevor argument there may be, bas- deed if you get ten for one. The idea of ing, and possess within themselves perfect peculiar emphatic gesture of the hands whatever argument there may be, based on science or experience, in cutting hay deeping in fine condition five hundred

> pened stalks of grass may be excellent sub-undertaking. The fences cannot be kept up, nor the ditching nor the manuring stances to develop animal heat, and to no matter how attentive or industrious cause a deposit of fat, but they are cer- the proprietor may be. The job is too intended it. In Europe, where some of tion of milk. Such hay contains too much the nobility possess immense tracts, they earbon and too little nitrogen, to produce manage differently from us. There the land is parcelled off into twenty and thir-An Eastern paper states that Dr. Nich- ty acres peasant-farms, and each occupant finds it to his interest to till his patch as it ols, the judicious editor of the Boston ought to be. His very existence depends Journal of Chemistry, records an experi- upon it, because if he once gets a bad ment on this subject, which cannot have name as a husbandman he is tabooed and has to leave that section of the country. Go where he will, he can rent no land, unless he has his character in his pocket from clover, that was cut June 19, and the his last landford. Here it is otherwise .hay stored by itself. On the first of last A careless indolent man rents a farm for March, he put his herd of ten cows upon it, be leaves it and tries another spot, and so and the immediate flow of milk amounted to ten quarts per day. The hay fed them before was of the same variety, but cut long as he can make money out of it .-When he ceases to do this, he pulls up after the middle of July. The early cut stakes and removes, leaving the once rich hay "spent" fully as well as the later cut; plantation in a worn out, dilapidated conno more of it was consumed, and Dr. Nich- dition, to be taken hold of most likely by olls estimates that the money value of the somebody else equally as lazy, who will draw from it a triffe more of its strength, was greater by nearly a dollar a day, than sert it. The only way to obviate all this that from the other. Dr. Nicholls also is to divide up the acres, and then either repeats the opinion he has expressed be- sell or rent. By this means only will the fore, that most hay is dried too much, and last root that if declares that if grass is entirely freed from are quite sure they will find increased reexternal moisture, as that in the form of turns from their landed capital if they will

# Horses in Fly Time.

The fly, insignificant as it is in size, and devoid of the power of doing any great whose flesh is made to quiver whenever the foot of one touches him. It is, therefore, an act of humanity to come to the 6,000 acres of land, a large share of which aid of the horse, powerful as he is, against is for fuel, timber, and sheep, being very his nimble assailant, the fly. Here is a mountainous. The rest is devoted to agrecipe which is said to be an excellent defence against it. At all events, a trial of it will not involve much expense, nor will it do harm should it prove unavailing as a

Take two or three small handsful of three quarts of cold water, let it infuse one night, and pour the whole next mornsoiled surface every morning, and spread- ing into a kettle and let it boil for a quaring evenly a little fresh, removing the ter of an hour; when cold it will be fit it was not yet 10 o'clock in the morning. course much cheaper at first cost, making derive benefit from walnut leaves thus in the end excellent manure. It is pecu- prepared, but the coachman, the wagoner, hot months .- Ex.

ence in Tennessee, says:

"It is too large an enterprise for the time," and adds: "Elections for Governor are a very common thing in the United States, and the public will not listen with any favor to the proposition that the defeated candidates shall declare themselves rial, butternut-colored—coat of the anbe in favor of or against Mr. Stokes. We a half yare of muslin. I have kept fowls and raised chickens for many years. For several years I have fed chicks with corn-meal prepared by mixing with boiling water, and after standing thirty minutes it is ready to feed. I usually salt it slightly, sufficietly to taste the salt, and believe the salting prevented gapes, as I have not lost a chick. The congress to keep him in office. The standing thirty minutes it is ready to feed. I usually salt it slightly, sufficietly to taste the salt, and believe the salting prevented gapes, as I have not lost a chick. Acepon, sir. Acepon, sir vented gapes, as I have not lost a chick in office to the exclusion of others, partifitting cap, not unlike a night-cap, over cularly when those proposed to be kept which was tied or pinned a thin white peruse the ensuing stanza upon that season out have been duly elected by the people.
The Republican party will insist that the
The hair of the women was cut short and has the true afflatus: President shall exercise all constitutional inclosed in a small brown net. The hair powers to sustain Colonel Stokes as the of the men was cut close to the scalp over elected Governor of Tennessee, provided the forehead and temples, but allowed to sary to cleanse the screenings, and, after standing a few hours, feed. I also give my fowls and chicks all scraps from the chandlers, chopped and broken fine.—
This they consume with great avidity. Pluck cut fine once a week or oftener is picked my very could be consumed in the consume of the consume with great avidity. The fact is, that men are apt to the forehead and temples, but allowed to grow long behind the ears. In some cases it fell in tangled, tufted locks upon the shoulder.

THE MANNER OF WORSHIP. over-estimate their personal importance, Neither the Republican party nor the people at large care much whether A B or C ing as leaders, began in a low, drawling, nold office; and there has been entirely them to tolerate for a moment, any such thing as appeal to arms, or to force in any shipers at once joined in, moving their tal Chronicle. Principles—Democratic nether limbs. "No," replied Pat, "I thing as appeal to arms, or to force in any

has been engaged this good while.

Life Among the Shakers.

out Wives and Women Without Husbands-Their Remarkable Religious Ceremonies-The Shakers' Interior

Correspondence of the Sun.

Hupson, Y. Y., July 27,-A beautiful Sunday morning found your correspon-I had long desired to visit their settle- Suddenly at a signal from one of the leadment, view their farms and gardens, see ers all faced to the left-with the precisiopportunity presented itself.

band or wife to seperate from an "unbe- the dance. lieving" wife or husband except legally or by mutual agreement.

THE SEXES DWELLING APART. church, barns, herb room, &c., come in | in the singing, and all gesticulating with | bouts of the child and the particulars of | den of lions, to which despotism had doomview. On each side of the wide and even their hands in unison with the singers. the abduction, eighty of barley, and sixty of rye, where now the yield is by no means satisfactory, the image of the proceeded against the interpretation of the proceeded against of the position which they had occupied. This way of preparing stubble of the proceeded against of the proc the centre of the building. The apart- half an hour, and it was surprising as well the child. When he took the child from for similar demonstrations of Divine favor ments of the brethren and sisters are usu- as amusing to see with what zest and ener- the depot, he delivdred it into the hands and protection. On a late occasion the ally at the opposite sides or ends of the gy some of the older brethren and sisters of a woman whom he claims as his wife. Emperor of Russia was reviewing his fleet house. From two to six live in a room; entered into the exercise. The following article, which we clip and although the men and women of the community live thus contiguous, sleeping under the same roof and eating in the same dining-room, they profess to have no social intercourse with each other beyond that of business and devotional exercisee. They enter the building at opposite ends of the hall; they sit at seperate tables, and inieres each-a quantity sufficiently large | dulge in no conversation with each other, unless it be to exgress their merest wants,

or when a superior gives directions or in-

structs a subordinate.

ciety of Shakers is constituted of several the men. Many joined in chanting the and the boy learned to love them and re- When this determination was communicadistinct families, which are self-support- music, and all kept time to the air in the gard them as his parents. organizations in both temporal and spiritu- and arms as before. For half an hour at to Union City and informed the foster they requested the Emperor's permission to al matters, regularly officered, comprising least did they thus march around the hall, elders, deacons, care-takers, and others.— least did they thus march around the hall, the natural parents of the child. The they had not seen all they could do. This The Society of New Lebanon embraces a stationary position in the centre of the grief of the new parents was uncontrolla- being granted, they ascended the top-mast, eight of these families. The different com- floor, and at a signal all again assumed the ble, and when the parents arrived the othmunities, or families, in each Society num- position they had occupied, with the pre- ers would not give up the child until comber from 30 to 150 members of both sex- cision of soldiers. es, who generally occupy one large, unitatainly of very little value in the producbrethren and sisters live together in a spiritual order and social relation.

THE PLACES OF WORSHIP.

room sufficiently capacious to accommo- the sisters and brethren respectively. date all the members of the family, and Regularly and silently as clockwork this in this room they assemble several times was done, without any commotion whata week for worship, and from twice to ever. The men took their seats first, and thrice a week they have re-union meet- then, noiselessly as so many ghosts, the woings in their private rooms, where from men glided to their proper places and four to eight or ten of the brethren and dropped on the benches. Both men and sisters spend an hour or so sitting together | women took from their pockets their large in devotional conversation and singing.

There are also in the settlement large buildings containing numerous workshops connected with each family, one for the

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE. Hitherto horticulture has been the lead ing business in most of the Shaker Societies, but recently they are turning their attention considerably to agriculture.— The Society at New Lebanon owns about riculture and horticulture.

IN THE HOUSE OF WORSHIP. house," a large, rectangular, plain, woodwalnut leaves, upon which pour two or en building, with a convex roof, their singing reached our ears. They had already began their devotional exercises, although whole only four times a year. Its advantages appear to be many, of which I will out of the stable let those parts which are state a few which give it, in my estimation out of the stable let those parts which are the manner of the most irritable be smeared over with one side of the sanctuary and we through them. My friend, whose newspaper is would not be any too many for our immediately them. We friend, whose newspaper is would not be any too many for our immediately them. its great superiority over straw. It is much cleaner and more easily arranged, and of cleaner and more easily arranged, and of cleaner and more casily arranged. Would not be any too many for our mimetal another on the opposite side. Many vistors were in the house, and an usher gave consent, consented,—Cin. Commercial. us seats allotted to those who are not of had, we believe, published the particulars where our laborers have become so indethe "persuasion." These seats are plain of the suicide of a young girl, but had not pendent that they dictate not only the liarly beneficial to the feet, affording them and all others who use horses during the wooden benches, and differ from those used intentionally reflected upon them. Meet-

> are supplied with a back, The Chicago Tribune in speaking of When we entered the "meeting house" ed in line across the room—one row behind another, according to height—the on the other, they stood in their quaint costumes, their faces cast down, their eyes good things of this world, "but I don't think this shows a scarcity of labor.
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> The Shaker string down his predict, and day, and at the same time potatoes sent at t upon the floor. The men wore coats, pan- know you sir."

We had been seated but a few moments when two of the sisters and brethren, actof their service. After this ceremony one bust

of the leaders stepped from the front rank The adulteration of the food of ourselves | The Separation of the Sexes-Men With- and taking a position on the floor midway between the separated sexes, spoke a few words of exhortation admonishing the members of the society to live in harmony and cling fast to the tenets of their faith. When he had finished he quietly took his place again in the ranks and was followed

by others in a similar strain, THE SHAKER SHUFFLE DANCE.

During this time the worshipers stood lage is renowned chiefly as the home of attitude of humility. Not once did one the Shakers. I had never seen these of them move or lift the eye to look to the strange people. I had often heard of them | right or left. In the intervals of their as an honest, industrious, and thrifty peo-ple, possessing many virtues, and strictly adhering to the tenets of their faith, and this was only the first part of the service. them in their houses, and observe their on of drilled soldiers-their backs to the form of religious worship. And now the spectators. Taking regular distance from each other was active preparation for the It is well known that one of the funda- shuffle dance, which is also a part of their mnetal principles of the Shakers' creed is a devotional exercise. All entered into this life of strict celibacy. They claim to be dance with spirit, some of the brethren but are as the angels of God in Heaven." | was told that on exceedingly hot days it is But to the public they profess not to con- the custom of all the brethren to divest

A half dozen of the sisters and breth-The New Lebanon Society of Shakers positions in front of the worshippers, and numbers about six hundred, and is the facing each other, began again one of their worked the case so far as to lead him to -not to tear down the National Governoldest, as well as the largest society of the peculiar chants, which could hardly be think Conrad knew something about the ment, as our slanderers have repeatedly order in this country; The settlement is called a melody, gestionlating violently matter. By working upon Conrad, and insisted, to our serious injury commercial about two miles from the village proper. with their hands as before. This was the promising to use his influence to get him ly and politically.—Nashville Banner. Soon after entering the boundaries of the music for the dancing. All moved for pardoned for the crime of safe-breaking, community, the buildings, dwellings, stores, ward in a sort of shuffle step, so joining he induced him to divulge the wherearoad, are large, rectangular wooden hous- Moving forward a step or two, all faced "Conrad acknowledged to the abductifiends fearlessly encountering the sevens, three or four stories high, and uniform about together and shuffled back to the tion, and said it was done for the purpose fold-heated furnace, conscientious Jews

It is not generally known that each So- the women in a reverse direction to that of learned to love their charge as their own, embrace the Greek religion, of course,

THE END OF THE DANCE. Again they stood for a few moments silent as so many statues. The plain, white pine benches, which were piled one upon the other about the sides of the hall, were Each dwelling contains a large meeting- then taken down and placed in position by cotton handkerchiefs or napkins, which they spread on their knees, and on which

they rested their hands. energetically proclaimed their doctrine as tain himself in business. the only true faith, and characterized all A farmer cannot pay \$2 per day for laother orders as heathen. The remarks of the preacher concluded the devotional exercises of the morning. One of the leaders capital invested, they will not employ car- anxious season, in the course of which arose, simply remarked, "The meeting is penters to build houses or barns, neither Pendleton was repeatedly requested to acnow dismissed," and then without a word | will they patronize the city merchants, nor | cept the nomination, and as often declined, As we drove to the Shaker "meeting being spoken or a look of recognition with aid in building railroads or digging canals. a dispatch was sent him signed by every one another exchanged, the Shakers silent- Four-fifths of all the waste lands in this member of the committee, and a considone door, and the men through another.

SHAKER MODE OF RETALIATION.

comment that may be made in regard to nese laborers come right along; a million and danger. Thus urged, Mr. Pendleton by the Shakers themselves in that they ing Brother Benjamin Gates, the chief hold the right to come and go whenever it day morning, mistook him for a burglar leader among those of the New Lebanon suits their convenience, no matter how The young man having been out late, was Society, as he was going up the stairs with great the loss that may result through "Good morning, Brother Benjamin,"

men on one side of the house, the women ric Shaker sitting down his pitcher, and day, and at the same time potatoes sell at

You take great pride in reporting our pri-

much wring the bosom of the reader to "I wud not dy in autumn

With the peaches fit for eatin'. When the wavy corn is gettin ripe, And the candidates are treatin; When the sassidge meat is phryin', & hickory nuts are thick-Oh! who wud think ov dyin', Or even gettin' sick?"

THE Chronicle, recently started in sing-song tone to chant one of their pecu- Boise City, Idaho, greeted its readers with too much civil war, rebellion and strife, for liar songs or hymns, the words of which the following original salutatory: "We

A Romance. An Illinois paper, the Peoria Tran-

script, tells this story : "We have the following from good au- tablished before the election, by the deci-

prove interesting to our readers : dered or had died of grief.

"world," and to allow no "believing" hus- their waistcoats also, on the beginning of and sent to Joliet. Mr. L. B. Perry, of cause of constructives against the selfish ren, constituting a choir, next took their Pontiac, an old New York detective, hear- ness of destructives, and that our purpose

pelled to do so by due course of law .- peared forever. Mrs Harshberger feared all the time that the child was yet a victim of conspiracy, and on the 17th of this month accompashe would."

Chinese Labor.

Californians are greatly excited over recommendation in the world, the question of Chinese immigration. A few narrow minded people pretend to be-The preacher of the community then lieve that if the Chinese laborers should men the other for women. In these va- stepped forward in front of the visitors, come in any great numbers, it would be Whole number of offices established since rious branches of manufacture are carried his back toward the members of the Socie- an injury to our country; but we fail to on, consisting of necessary articles for home ty, and in a calm, impassioned manner be- see it in that light. Every able-bodied consumption and for sale. They have all gan his discourse, which was addressed en- man or womon who sets foot upon our 4 229—the names and sites of 113 offices the mechanical trades necessary to meet tirely to the visitors. It was an artful, shores with the intention of working for a the immediate wants of a family, but are logical argument in support of the Shaker living, is just so much wealth added to us largely dependent upon the neighboring creed; but although he spoke without as a nation, If there is any one element 1,669 postmasters have resigned, 2,186 village cities for the improved implements which render modern agriculture success- had been carefully prepared for the occa- cient than another, it is labor. There are sion. He studiously avoided reference to at this moment hundreds of industrial pur- change of names and sites of offices, the dogmas of the sect, and only alluded to suits languishing er completely paralyzed There were 524 appointments by the those parts of their creed on which few for the want of cheap and efficient la- President and 4,182 by the Postmaster persons would be inclined to take issue. bor. We say cheap, because there are General. was told, however, that frequently the certain limits beyond which neither farpreachers of the community openly and mer, mechanic, or manufacturer can sus-

In the vicinity of New York city farm "Good morning, sir," replied the pletho- laborers are asking \$2 and upwards per

A VERY CUNNING DOG INDEED .- An haps.) and testify their own approval of it by frequently rolling and lying down for hours in the day. It has also the recommendation of being uneatable, an advantage which all in charge of horses with the habit of eating their litter will readily admit."

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It has also the recommendation of the ears, waisteoat but-decision as disclosed at the polls will be accepted by the American people as final, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial powring from you some stance of Newport Rhoode Islanding of Newport Rhode Islanding trial trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial trial powring are trial, butternut-colored—coat of the angular trial tr Italian journal relates a curious instance the watch, rise up and bark furiously at put in the same pocket, and soon after have already referred to the case of Virginia, where the Governor in office, who of some light lead colored material reaching water affairs, sir. Keep on, sir. You can't the water, rise up and bark influence the water, rise up and bark influence the same time running about in all directions. The soldier that the injure us, sir—keep on, sir, keep on." And to same time running about the same running abo animal was giving the alarm, hastened forward, but only found in the interior of sunk till his death, as above. the wood traces of the recent departure of the party of which they were in search. The officer in command, vexed at missing an important capture, drew his pistol and fired at the four-footed sentinel, which, with a howl, rolled over on its back, and lay completely motionless. The squad-ron continued its march, but a quarter of an hour later one of the men, happening to turn round, observed the same dog they had just before left for dead on the ground dodging about behind the trees in their rear, as if to watch them. The animal was captured, and found not to have had a hair touched by the shot fired at it; it had evidently feigned death in or-der to be able to continue its functions of vidette. The prisoner's life was not only preserved, but the captive was admitted into the regiment, and will be taught to render service in discovering the haunts of its former masters.

"Wouln't you call this the calf of a

is one rascal less in the world."

The Practical Benefits.

Universal Suffrage may now be consid-

ered an assured fact. It was virtually esthority, and although not pertaining to sion of the highest tribunal in the State this locality, we have no doubt it will The popular voice, without regard to parove interesting to our readers:
"In the winter of 1865 there resided by that decision, permitted for once free in Terre Haute, Indiana, a Mr. William expression at the ballot-box, decided that Cook, who had a wife and one child, three there should be no taxation without repyears of age. Mrs. Cook started on a visit resentation, and this declaration was all with the little fellow to a friend, and the more valuable that it was uttered in while waiting at the Union depot, Indian- the spirit of reconciliation and peace apolis, was approached by a gentlemanly Now, we are to see that the practical benelooking personage, who, after patting and fits thereof be not lost to us. We want fondling the little boy, asked permission population badly, for population is wealth, to take him out and buy him some candy. We are very poor. We have suffered long She gave her consent, and the stranger de- and lost heavily, yet not, we trust, irreparted with the boy. The lady waited for trievably. The North is rich and powerhis return, but he did not come back,— ful, because it has population, secured by The time for the departure of the train its monopoly of the foreign immigration. drew near, but still the child could not be The man who says he does not want for found. A search lasting through days and eign immigration or northern immigramonths was unsuccessful in revealing the tion, is simply a dolt and a useless imbewhereabouts of the missing boy, Adver- eile, blocking the track to progress, We do tisements were inserted in the leading pa- need population, and need it badly. It is pers, and the skill of the detective force to our interest to go forward instead of was resorted to, but all without avail. The backward. We have infinitely more inparents were finally forced to the convictorest in the future, too, than in the rest tion that their child had either been mur- To enjoy the earliest benefits of the suffrage we have decreed shall be universal "In the year 1867 Clark Conrad, for- in Tennessee, together with that Peace Michigan infantry, was arrested in the must show to the world that our Univernorthern part of this State on a charge of sal Suffrage means protection and co-opebreaking open a safe. He was convicted ration-net proscription or revenge-the ing of the abduction of the child, had all along has been to build up Tennessee SINCE the time of Daniel braving the

ed him for his religion, and his three She was to keep it until the reward was when two sailors particularly excited his THE MARCH AROUND THE SANCTUARY. offered, but fearing detection and arrest, attention, both by the precision with which Suddenly this ceremony also ceased at a she escaped to Michigan with Courad,— they performed several difficult managures signal from some one of the leaders, and The officers were in close pursuit of Con- and by the agility and daring which they all faced again to the right, in the same ard to arrest him for the safe-breaking op- displayed. The Emperor was so much position as when we entered the house. eration, and the pair were obliged to pleased that he immediately promoted one abandon the child in Union City Mich. to be a Captain—the other he appointed immobile position before described, for "The county authorities there took charge a Lieutenant on the spot. The men, howsome moments, they began preparation for another feature of the worship. All formed The boy was an interesting one, and was bidding Jews to wear an epaulet. The in column of fours, according to height, the men in one column and the women in another. Again the choir drawled out their and lady of that town, took the child from culty to his Imperial Majesty. "Pshaw," THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMUNI- doleful chants, and the columns marched the poor-house and adopted it as their cried the Emperor, "that does not signiin step to the music around the building, own. as they were childless, they soon fy in the least—they shall immediately ted to the two young men, knowing that re-"A few weeks ago detective Perry went | monstrance or refusal would be in vain.

DEAN SWIFT proposed to tax female beauty, and to leave every lady to rate her nied the boy to his old home and there own charms. He said the taxes would be gave him up, when satisfied all was right. cheerfully paid, and very productive,---The mutual love the mothers entertained Fontenelle thus daintily compliments the for the child caused a lively love for each sex when he compares woman and clocksother to spring up in their hearts, and when Mrs, Harshberger returned to her former to make us forget them. The home, she was somewhat consoled for the standards of beauty in woman vary with loss of her adopted child with the knowl- those of taste. Socrates called beauty a edge that she would always be welcome short-lived tyranny; Plato, a privilege of at his home, and might see him whenever nature; Thephrastus, a silent cheat; Theocritus, a delightful prejudice; Carneades a solitary kingdom; and Aristotle affirmed that it was better than all the letters of

THE whole number of Postoffices in the United States on March 4, was 26,659. March 4, up to the 1st inst., was 701. changed. Whole number of offices in the

Pendleton the Candidate. After all, George H. Pendleton is the

Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio. than all that is now in cultivation, if labor ential interest in the proceeding, stating was cheap enough to make the investment that the use of his name would give harnecessary to reclaim these lands pay even mony and confidence, and intimating that The Shakers are very sensitive of any a small profit. Let the industrious Chi- if it could not be used there was difficulty

> THE keeper of a Cleveland public house. joining his parent's sleeping room, and the father, hearing a sash moving, took an old Harper's Ferry musket which he kept loaded, and going toward the window saw the form of a man clambering upon the sill, when asking who was there, but rewithin a few minutes.

> was seized with illness, one of the features of which was a partial paralysis of one of

GENERAL ROSECRANS cannot swallow Ohio democracy. He declines the nomin ation of that party for Governor, which nomination he kindly terms an honor, explaining that he must devote himself to duties deemed sacred to his creditors and family." We regret that the General's creditors are of so much moment in his life; but only fancy the chagrin of the Ohio democrats when a man thus declares that he would rather pay his debts than run on their ticket.—N. Y. Herald.

TENNESSEE has slaughtered Stokes in an out and out style. Even the district that he counted upon as his stronghold-every candidate has a stronghold some where-has laid him out as stiff as Paddy's daddy when he was nine days dead.— There is only one bad sign in this Tennes-see election. This is, that the victors al-ready differ as to what their victory means. If they quarrel over that they will waste their triumph.—N. Y. Herald.

BARNUM wants to get a nightmare to gapes, and since my hen house floor is of wood and coal ashes, six inches deep, the lice have disappeared from my poultry.—
My chicken coops are stationary and have a floor of ashes. Fresh ashes are supplied as often as is necessary.—Country Gentle
The floor is of thing as appeal to arms, or to force in any shipers at once joined in, moving their should say it was the leg of a calf."

BARNUM wants to get a nightmare to the hands in an energetic manner up and down in unison with the music. Several songs were thus sung—the peculiar gesture of the Overland Hotel, opposite an old oyster as often as is necessary.—Country Gentle
Tom Corley says, "make yourself a good man, and then you may be sure there as often as is necessary.—Country Gentle
The Emperor of China is to be married to the hilt. Object, to make a living. Of should say it was the leg of a calf."

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The Holdes And we'll run it or the open hand being one of the ceremonies of the open hand being one of the animals. The open hand being one of the ceremonies of the open hand being one of the o exhibit at his museum. Let him cat a mince pie, three sausages, half a dozen